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POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS

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Please amend the above-identified new application as follows:

In the specification:

Rewrite the following identified paragraphs as follows:

page 1, line 10- page 2, line 3

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In a conventional silent chain power transmission apparatus, an endless silent chain is employed which comprises a multiplicity of link plates interleaved by a multiplicity of connecting pins in a fingers-crossed fashion, as illustrated in FIG. 8 hereof. Each link plate 100 has a pair of V-shaped teeth 10 each defined by inside and outside faces 1, 2 for meshing with teeth of a sprocket S as shown in FIG. 8 hereof. As can be clearly seen from FIG. 7, the inside tooth faces 1 are scooped out deeper inwardly than the profiles, symmetrical with the profiles of the outside tooth faces 2, of imaginary

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